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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following references, which are also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 07-241393, dated September 19, 1995, together with English-language Abstract; and

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2. Japanese Utility Model Application Laid-open No. 52-102082, dated January 30, 1976, together with English-language Scope of Claim for a Utility Model

Registration (corresponds to Japanese Utility Model Application No. 51-8725).

The references were cited in an Official Action dated April 22, 2008 received

from the Japanese Patent Office. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited references

required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i) and (ii), together with a copy of the Official Action. The

relevance of the references is described in the Official Action. Please note that the other reference

cited in the Official Action, namely, Japanese Patent Application Laid-open No. 2001-57985,

dated March 6, 2001, was previously submitted in Applicant's Information Disclosure Statement

dated January 5, 2004.

The undersigned attorney hereby states that each item of information contained in

this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent

office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this

Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant also submits the requisite \$180.00 official fee pursuant to § 1.17(p) by

authorization to charge deposit account 19-1013/SSMP.

Respectfully submitted,

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